

Washington Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

2003 Tobacco Survey Results

Wahkiakum County

What is your age?

n = 198

18 - 34	41.4%	(± 33.7%)
35 - 54	20.8	(± 18.0)
55 - 74	21.4	(± 17.5)
75+	16.4	(± 14.7)

Gender

n = 198

Male	46.9%	(± 31.4%)
Female	53.1	(± 31.4)

Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race...

n = 195

White	89.8%	(± 12.8%)
Black or African American	0.0	(± 0.0)
Asian	0.0	(± 0.0)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0	(± 0.0)
American Indian, Alaska Native	1.0	(± 1.1)
Other race	8.9	(± 12.6)
No preferred race	0.3	(± 0.6)

Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?

n = 197

Yes	9.0%	(± 12.6%)
No	91.0	(± 12.6)

Marital status

n = 196

Married	52.5%	(± 31.3%)
Divorced	4.2	(± 3.0)
Widowed	10.8	(± 12.8)
Separated	0.8	(± 1.0)
Never been married	29.9	(± 38.2)
Or a member of an unmarried couple	1.8	(± 1.8)

How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?

n = 198

None	80.5%	(± 15.4%)
1	8.6	(± 11.3)
2	8.7	(± 7.9)
3 or more	2.2	(± 1.9)

What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?

n = 198

Some high school or less	11.5%	(± 13.9%)
High school graduate or GED	24.1	(± 17.0)
Some college or technical school	20.9	(± 18.1)
College graduate or more	43.6	(± 32.9)

* Estimates based on sample sizes less than 50 were omitted.

Are you currently. . .	n = 197	
Employed for wages	40.2%	(± 33.8%)
Self-employed	2.9	(± 2.4)
Out of work	2.0	(± 1.9)
Homemaker	12.3	(± 13.2)
Student	0.0	(± 0.0)
Retired	39.0	(± 26.6)
Or unable to work	3.7	(± 2.8)

Annual household income from all sources	n = 177	
Less than \$20,000	32.3%	(± 20.5%)
\$20,000 to less than \$50,000	54.5	(± 20.9)
\$50,000 or more	13.2	(± 6.6)

Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?	n = 207	
Yes	34.1%	(± 17.2%)
No	65.9	(± 17.2)

<i>Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire life:</i>		
Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?	n = 103	
Everyday	16.0%	(± 8.9%)
Some days	3.2	(± 3.4)
Not at all	80.8	(± 10.0)

<i>Among current smokers:</i>		
During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?	n = 27	
Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Current cigarette smoking prevalence:	n = 207	
(every day or some day smokers among the whole population)	6.5%	(± 3.8%)

<i>Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes:</i>		
Did you smoke any cigarettes during the past 30 days?	n = 99	
Yes	16.3%	(± 11.0%)
No	83.7	(± 11.0)

<i>Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:</i>		
On how many days of the past 30 days did you smoke cigarettes?	n = 26	
Less than 30 days	*	*
30 days	*	*

<i>Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:</i>		
On average, about how many cigarettes per day do you smoke, on the days that you do smoke?	n = 26	
Average:	*	*

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Have you ever tried using smokeless tobacco, like chew, dip or snuff?	n = 198
Yes	8.4% (± 5.7%)
No	91.6 (± 5.7)

Among those that have ever tried smokeless tobacco:

On how many of the past 30 days did you use smokeless tobacco products?	n = 33
None	* *
Less than 30 days	* *
30 days	* *

Current smokeless tobacco prevalence:	n = 198
(any use in past 30 days among the whole population)	2.3% (± 2.1%)

Do you currently smoke tobacco in a pipe?	n = 198
Yes	0.0% (± 0.0%)
No	100.0 (± 0.0)

In the past month, have you smoked a cigar, even just a puff?	n = 198
Yes	1.7% (± 1.7%)
No	98.3 (± 1.7)

In the past month, have you smoked bidis?	n = 197
Yes	0.0% (± 0.0%)
No	100.0 (± 0.0)

In the past month, have you smoked clove cigarettes?	n = 198
Yes	0.4% (± 0.6%)
No	99.6 (± 0.6)

Current tobacco use (all types of tobacco)	n = 198
Current daily tobacco user	8.1% (± 5.5%)
Current non-tobacco user	91.9 (± 5.5)

Among former smokers:

About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly, that is, daily?	n = 74
Within the past month (less than 1 month ago)	0.0% (± 0.0%)
Within the past 3 months (1-3 months ago)	0.0 (± 0.0)
Within the past 6 months (3-6 months ago)	0.8 (± 1.6)
Within the past year (6-12 months ago)	2.2 (± 3.3)
Within the past 5 years (1-5 years ago)	43.9 (± 37.8)
Within the past 15 years (5-15 years ago)	15.4 (± 12.5)
More than 15 years ago	37.8 (± 27.8)
Never used regularly	0.0 (± 0.0)

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Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day? n = 68

Average: 21.1 (± 5.4)

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco on a Native American reservation? n = 39

Yes *

No *

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco from the Internet? n = 39

Yes *

No *

Among current tobacco users:

During the past month, did you buy tobacco outside the state to save money - not just because you were traveling? n = 38

Yes *

No *

Among current/former tobacco users:

People close to me are/were upset by my using tobacco. n = 102

Strongly agree 32.6% (± 19.3%)

Somewhat agree 12.8 (± 8.9)

Somewhat disagree 10.0 (± 7.5)

Or strongly disagree 44.6 (± 30.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a family member or friend advised you to quit, if ever? n = 106

Within the past year (1-12 months) 18.5% (± 11.6%)

Within the past three years (1-3 years) 5.2 (± 4.9)

3 or more years ago 47.9 (± 28.6)

They never advised me to quit 28.4 (± 18.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DOCTOR or other healthcare provider advised you to quit, if ever? n = 105

Within the past year (1-12 months) 10.5% (± 7.6%)

Within the past three years (1-3 years) 6.2 (± 5.3)

3 or more years ago 37.6 (± 33.5)

They never advised me to quit 45.7 (± 26.1)

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Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DENTIST advised you to quit, if ever?			n = 104
Within the past year (1-12 months)	1.7%	(± 2.3%)	
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	2.9	(± 3.3)	
3 or more years ago	3.4	(± 3.4)	
They never advised me to quit	91.9	(± 6.2)	

Among those advised to quit:

Did the health care professional who advised to quit offer any help, or refer you to a source of help to quit tobacco use?			n = 48
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Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current/former tobacco users:

How many times in your life have you seriously tried to quit using tobacco?			n = 98
0	7.8%	(± 6.8%)	
1-2	64.8	(± 21.0)	
3-5	16.0	(± 10.7)	
6 or more	11.4	(± 8.3)	

About how long has it been since you last visited a DOCTOR for a routine checkup?			n = 196
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Within the past year (1-12 months ago)	66.6%	(± 36.7%)
Within the past two years (1-2 years ago)	2.5	(± 2.1)
Within the past 3 years (2-3 years ago)	2.4	(± 2.2)
Within the past 5 years (3-5 years ago)	0.4	(± 0.7)
5 or more years ago	27.7	(± 39.2)
Never	0.5	(± 0.7)

What type of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care? Is it coverage through. . .			n = 173
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Your employer	41.4%	(± 38.0%)
Someone else's employer	6.4	(± 4.9)
A plan that you or someone buys on your own	17.3	(± 19.1)
Medicare	31.6	(± 26.1)
Medicaid or Medical Assistance	2.1	(± 2.0)
The military, CHAMPUS, or the VA	0.9	(± 1.4)
The Indian Health Service	0.4	(± 0.8)
Some other source	0.0	(± 0.0)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, have you heard about any programs in your community to help you quit using tobacco, such as classes, support groups or counseling services?			n = 28
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Yes	*	*
No	*	*

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Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, did you participate in any kind of program, class or group to help you quit using tobacco? n = 28

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers with health care coverage:

Does your health care insurance coverage pay for the cost of any help to quit using tobacco, such as a stop-smoking program or nicotine patches, pills or other medications? n = 20

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

During the past year, did you use nicotine patches, pills or other medication to help you quit using tobacco? n = 28

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

Have you heard about the Washington State "Quit-Line" - a telephone support service to help people quit using tobacco? n = 28

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Have you called the Quit line? n = 17

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

Would you like to quit using tobacco? n = 37

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users who would like to quit:

Are you seriously considering quitting tobacco use within the next 6 months? n = 22

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users considering quitting within 6 months:

Are you planning to stop within the next 30 days? n = 21

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

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Are you currently registered to vote?		n = 196
Yes	89.4%	(± 12.2%)
No	10.6	(± 12.2)

Which of the following statements best describes the rules about smoking in your home. . .		n = 196
No one is allowed to smoke anywhere inside your home	86.4%	(± 16.5%)
Smoking is allowed at some places or at some times	10.8	(± 16.2)
Smoking is permitted anywhere inside your home	2.8	(± 2.3)

How many people, including you, who live in your household currently smoke cigarettes, cigars, or pipes?		n = 197
No current smokers in household	81.5%	(± 17.5%)
1	16.8	(± 17.1)
2	1.7	(± 1.7)
3 or more	0.0	(± 0.0)

On how many of the past 30 days has someone, including you, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?		n = 197
None	88.3%	(± 16.2%)
Less than 30	1.6	(± 1.5)
30 days	10.0	(± 16.1)

If it were just up to you, would you let people smoke inside your home?		n = 194
Yes	12.2%	(± 16.5%)
No	87.8	(± 16.5)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

When you are at work, do you spend most of your time in an. . .		n = 74
Office	73.9%	(± 32.4%)
Store	2.7	(± 4.2)
Restaurant or Bar	1.7	(± 2.8)
Warehouse or factory	5.8	(± 8.2)
Home/Someone elses home	4.8	(± 6.5)
Outdoors	6.7	(± 9.0)
Car or truck	1.2	(± 2.5)
Classroom	1.7	(± 2.7)
Hospital	0.8	(± 1.5)
Somewhere else	0.7	(± 1.7)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Some or all indoor work areas?		n = 72
Yes	7.3%	(± 9.9%)
No	92.7	(± 9.9)

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Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Employee lunchrooms or lounges? n = 73

Yes	2.2%	(± 3.4%)
No	97.8	(± 3.4)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . A different designated indoor smoking area? n = 73

Yes	5.1%	(± 7.2%)
No	94.9	(± 7.2)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

In a typical week, how many hours would you say that you are in a room or car with secondhand smoke while you are at work? n = 72

None	92.0%	(± 10.7%)
Less than one hour	3.8	(± 5.4)
One hour or more	4.2	(± 6.2)

In general, would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 194

Not at all annoying to you	3.2%	(± 2.5%)
A little bit annoying	4.4	(± 3.3)
Somewhat annoying	10.3	(± 6.8)
Very annoying to you	82.1	(± 11.2)

Would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 186

Not at all harmful	0.8%	(± 0.9%)
A little bit harmful	4.6	(± 5.2)
Somewhat harmful	9.3	(± 6.3)
Very harmful	85.3	(± 10.2)

All people should be protected from secondhand smoke. n = 182

Strongly agree	41.7%	(± 28.6%)
Somewhat agree	9.3	(± 6.7)
Somewhat disagree	14.8	(± 18.2)
Strongly disagree	34.2	(± 39.5)

All children should be protected from secondhand smoke. n = 191

Strongly agree	69.3%	(± 38.2%)
Somewhat agree	2.5	(± 2.2)
Somewhat disagree	27.8	(± 39.5)
Strongly disagree	0.4	(± 0.5)

Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in restaurants? n = 194

Yes	69.0%	(± 23.1%)
No	23.0	(± 19.1)
Don't know/Not sure	8.0	(± 12.3)

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Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in bars and lounges?		n = 194
Yes	18.2%	(± 15.1%)
No	77.2	(± 16.8)
Don't know/Not sure	4.5	(± 3.3)

Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in outdoor public areas where children may be present?		n = 194
Yes	36.4%	(± 24.5%)
No	60.7	(± 25.7)
Don't know/Not sure	2.9	(± 2.4)

Local law enforcement officials should place a high priority on enforcing laws that ban the possession of tobacco products by minors.		n = 191
Strongly agree	57.1%	(± 21.2%)
Somewhat agree	10.6	(± 5.5)
Somewhat disagree	17.7	(± 18.6)
Strongly disagree	14.6	(± 20.2)

The city or town where you live should establish as many strong rules and laws as possible to protect nonsmokers, including children, from secondhand smoke.		n = 189
Strongly agree	40.7%	(± 27.8%)
Somewhat agree	19.3	(± 19.0)
Somewhat disagree	34.7	(± 38.8)
Strongly disagree	5.4	(± 5.8)

School officials should make sure that all children receive anti-tobacco education.		n = 195
Strongly agree	66.0%	(± 36.5%)
Somewhat agree	31.6	(± 37.5)
Somewhat disagree	1.1	(± 1.2)
Strongly disagree	1.3	(± 1.4)

Tobacco use by adults should not be allowed on school grounds or at any school events.		n = 192
Strongly agree	62.2%	(± 35.5%)
Somewhat agree	30.1	(± 38.3)
Somewhat disagree	1.4	(± 1.4)
Strongly disagree	6.3	(± 12.2)

Have you seen or heard about any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to prevent or reduce tobacco use among youth?		n = 190
Yes	63.6%	(± 24.3%)
No	36.4	(± 24.3)

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Among people who have seen or heard of community efforts/activities:

Have you participated in any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to help reduce tobacco use among youth?

n = 105

Yes	21.9%	(± 26.9%)
No	78.1	(± 26.9)

Among people who have seen or heard of community efforts/activities:

To your knowledge, has there been a local anti-tobacco or anti-smoking organization working in your community over the past few years?

n = 105

Yes	70.5%	(± 30.9%)
No	12.1	(± 11.3)
Don't know/Not sure	17.4	(± 25.0)

Among people who know of anti-tobacco organizations in their community:

Do you approve of what this local organization is doing to prevent tobacco use and help people quit?

n = 47

Definitely yes	*	*
Probably yes	*	*
Probably no	*	*
Definitely no	*	*

There are more negative things than positive things about smoking.

n = 192

Strongly agree	95.1%	(± 3.6%)
Somewhat agree	3.9	(± 3.0)
Somewhat disagree	0.3	(± 0.5)
Strongly disagree	0.7	(± 0.9)

Smoking sometimes makes a person more attractive.

n = 195

Strongly agree	0.5%	(± 0.8%)
Somewhat agree	0.3	(± 0.6)
Somewhat disagree	3.0	(± 2.4)
Strongly disagree	96.2	(± 2.9)

There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference.

n = 186

Strongly agree	16.1%	(± 19.2%)
Somewhat agree	6.8	(± 8.2)
Somewhat disagree	12.3	(± 16.6)
Strongly disagree	64.9	(± 26.3)

Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it?

n = 187

Yes	29.4%	(± 22.3%)
No	70.6	(± 22.3)

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Do you currently have a piece of clothing, or other item that has a tobacco brand or logo on it?	n = 194	
Yes	37.8%	(± 35.9%)
No	62.2	(± 35.9)

During the past year, have you received a free sample or coupon for a free sample of cigarettes or other tobacco products?	n = 195	
Yes	6.9%	(± 4.7%)
No	93.1	(± 4.7)

During the past year have you been somewhere, such as concert or special event, where tobacco companies were having a promotion - for example, giving away free samples or having a special give-away?	n = 196	
Yes	2.5%	(± 2.3%)
No	97.5	(± 2.3)

Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies.	n = 185	
Strongly agree	22.1%	(± 16.2%)
Somewhat agree	27.2	(± 16.2)
Somewhat disagree	19.4	(± 20.2)
Strongly disagree	31.3	(± 19.5)

Among people with children ages 12 to 17:

Which of the following best describes the way you have discussed the dangers of tobacco use with your child. . .	n = 18	
We have talked about the dangers of tobacco use many times	*	*
We have had at least one conversation that I can remember	*	*
I don't remember a specific conversation, but my child knows how I feel	*	*
For now, I have not talked with my child about the dangers of tobacco use	*	*

Among people with children ages 12 to 17:

Have you told your child specifically that you do not want him or her to use tobacco?	n = 18	
Yes	*	*
No	*	*

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